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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND ACCOMPANYING
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Applicants submit herewith copies of modified PTO-1449 forms submitted in parent application USSN 09/226,766 from which the presently filed application claims priority. Copies of the references listed therein are not enclosed but will be provided upon request. Applicants request that each of the listed documents be made of record in the presently filed application.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted concurrently with the filing of the application. Accordingly, no fee is believed due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due, or credit overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No.21578-010CON.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant submits the references listed on the attached form PTO 1449. A copy of the international search report from counterpart international application PCT/US94/00978 (international publication number WO 94/18344) is also enclosed.

Under 35 USC 120, this application relies on the earlier filing date of copending Application Serial No. 09/050,380, filed March 30, 1998, which is a continuation of Application Serial Number 08/455,981, filed on May 31, 1995 (Patent Number 5,773,217), which is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/190,771 (Patent No. 5,651,992), filed February 1, 1994 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 13,039 (Patent Number 5,480,772), filed February 3, 1993. Copies of newly-cited patents and applications AF-AH, AL-AP, BL-BO, and publications US, VQ-VS, WQ-WS, XQ-XS, YO-YR, and ZQ-ZS, generally relating to cloning are submitted. All other references were submitted to and/or cited by the Office

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in the prior applications and, therefore, copies are not provided in this application.

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